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**His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Zayed al Nahyan, President of United Arab Emirates;**

**His Excellency Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India;**

**Excellencies Heads of States and Governments;**

**Ladies and Gentlemen!**

I thank both President Shaikh Nahyan and Prime Minister Modi for inviting Mozambique to this High-Level Event on Green Credit Initiative.

Mozambique is very committed to protect forest ecosystems because of the benefits to humankind.

In Mozambique, forest ecosystems play a critical role for the life of our people, because many of our people live in rural area and depend on forest natural resources.

Your Green Credit Initiative is aligned with Mozambique initiative on the sustainable management of the Miombo forest.

The Miombo forest initiative was formally endorsed by the Maputo Declaration last year together signed by eleven countries in the SADC region, namely Mozambique, Angola, Botswana, DRC, Congo, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

The Miombo is the largest tropical forest ecosystems and it is home of more than 300 (three hundred) million population.

We are here to support this Green Credit Initiative and also to ask you to accept Mozambique initiative on the Miombo forest as part of this larger initiative by India and United Arab Emirates.

In partnership with the International Conservation Foundation (ICCF), Mozambique will host an International Conference on the Miombo forest next year in April in Washington DC, to mobilize funding and international collaboration.

I would like to invite Prime Minister Modi, President Nahyan and all dignitaries to join us in that conference.

I would like also to ask that Miombo forest initiative be included on the Global Green Credit Web Platform that is going to be launched here in this forum.

Thank you for your attention.